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REMARKS**I. General.**

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the Advisory Action of November 27, 2006 wherein the Examiner requested that Applicant provide supporting evidence regarding the "slots" and U.S. Patent No. 3,438,416 Thurston (hereinafter referred to as "Thurston").

In response, Applicant respectfully submits that the "cut away area" of Thurston is not a "slot." A "slot" is equivalent to a groove while a "cut away" is something that has been "removed by cutting off or away." See The Free Dictionary By Farlex, available at <http://www.thefreedictionary.com/cut+away>; see also WordWeb Online, available at <http://wordwebonline.com/en/CUTAWAY>, copies of which are attached hereto as Group Exhibit A. As further support for this proposition, Applicant directs the Examiner to U.S. Patent No. 5,392,680, wherein line 12 of the Abstract references "a slot or groove." As further support, Applicant directs the Examiner to U.S. Patent No. 4,409,689, wherein line 9 of the Abstract references "a slot or groove." Additionally, Applicant directs the Examiner to U.S. Patent No. 157,913, which also refers to a "slot or groove." See Col. 2, ll. 3-4. Finally, Applicant directs the Examiner's attention to the Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary which provides that a slot is: "a narrow opening or groove". See Mish, F.C. et al (2002). Merriam-Webster's collegiate dictionary (10th ed.) at 1102, a copy of which is attached hereto as Group Exhibit B.

II. Conclusion.

Applicant submits that the subject matter of the present application is novel, non-obvious, and useful, and, therefore, respectfully requests prompt consideration and allowance of the application.

Respectfully submitted,



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Noun: cutaway 'kút u'wey

1. A representation (drawing or model) of something in which the outside is omitted to reveal the inner parts
- cutaway drawing, cutaway model
2. A man's coat cut diagonally from the waist to the back of the knees

Verb: cut away kút u'wey

1. Move quickly to another scene or focus when filming
"cut away now!" the director shouted"
2. Remove by cutting off or away
"cut away the branch that sticks out"

Type of: coat, cut, representation

Encyclopedia: Cutaway

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Verb 1. **cut away** - move quickly to another scene or focus when filming; "cut away now!" the director shouted"**cut** - make an abrupt change of image or sound; "cut from one scene to another"2. **cut away** - remove by cutting off or away; "cut away the branch that sticks out"**cut** - separate with or as if with an instrument; "Cut the rope"**undercut** - cut away the underpart of; "undercut a vein of ore"**undercut** - cut away material from the underside of (an object) so as to leave an overhanging portion in relief

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The blacksmith took my feet in his hand, one after the other, and **cut away** some of the hoof.*Black Beauty* by Sewall, Anna [View in context](#)When this work was accomplished, the miners resumed their picks and **cut away** the rock from underneath the wheel itself, taking care to support it as they advanced upon blocks of great thickness.*From The Earth To The Moon* by Vern, Jules [View in context](#)He looked like a man **cut away** from the stake, when the fire has overrunningly wasted all the limbs without consuming them, or taking away one particle from their compacted aged

robustness.

Moby Dick I-LXVII by Melville, Herman [View in context](#)[More results >>](#)

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Merriam-Webster's Collegiate[®] Dictionary

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Merriam-Webster, Incorporated
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1. my of the slow-moving
the genera (*Brachyops* and
and Central America, and a habitat
not on leaves, shoots, and
propagates S.OTH.

slowly (*slóv-lá*, *sláth* - also *sláth-s*) *adj* (15c) : incline
slower *syn* see LAZY - *slow-ly* *adv* (*sló-lá*) *adv* - *sl*
the machine in (1891) 1 a machine whose operation is
ing a coin into a slot 2 a coin-operated gambling ma-
of according to the number of symbols on wheels sp
called also *slowly* *see* *slowly* *hand*

slowness (1965) : the feeling of slow rate - *slot* race
slowness (*sláth-s* (origin unknown) (1515) 1 a : an
slow : b one that is unimpressive; *slow* a lazy or inco-
used in negative constructions (was no ~ at cooking
picture characterized by an ungainly stooping of the
on or excessive relaxation of body muscles
slowness (1754) 1 : to walk, or sit with a slow
2 : DROOP ~ w : to cause to droop (~ w) h
slowness (1837) : a soft sun, felt hat with a wide fle
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in *where the sense is familiar*; *slowness* *adv* *slowness* *adv* for
to be slow or mire b 1 : swamp 2 : an inlet
slowness (1837) 1 a creek in a marsh or tide flat 2 :
slowness or spiritual dejection - *slowness* *adv* *slowness*
slowness (1846) 1 : to engulf in a slough ~ w : to plod
slowness mild : *sláth*

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